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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

Small internet providers are crucial to keeping big companies from charging whatever they want and providing poor service. I have had Sonic internet for 10 years and their service and responsiveness and pricing have been amazing. I have also had their bundled telephone service for most of this time, which has saved me hundreds of dollars in extra landline telephone bills. I cannot tell you how many stories I have heard of people fighting with Comcast or AT&T over service glitches or price gouging. I greatly treasure being able to give my internet business to a small, local company employing local folks and providing great service. Please keep this option available! Thank you.

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